

# THE MISSIONARY HELPER

"Dear Lord, we would obey thy sweet command,  
And, though unworthy, still in Thee abide:  
We would for ever hold Thy guiding hand.  
For, quitting Thee, whom should we have beside?  
Who builds without Thee, builds upon the sand,  
A house too frail to bear life's stormy tide;  
Who builds in Thee, builds on the rock-girt strand,  
And, when the tempest bursts, has where to hide.  
Oh, Eldest Brother of man's guilty race,  
Who quitted Heav'n to dwell with us on earth,  
That we in Thine might see our Father's face,  
And in Thy death might find our great new birth!—  
Oh, living Vine! no other life have we;  
The branckes die abiding not in Thee."

Published by The  
**FREE BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY**  
SACO, MAINE                      BOSTON, MASS.

Vol. XXXIX No. 9

September, 1916

# The Missionary Helper

**TERMS: Fifty Cents per year, IN ADVANCE      Single Copies Five Cents**

**DISCONTINUANCES** — We find that a large majority of our subscribers prefer not to have their subscriptions interrupted and their files broken in case they fail to remit before expiration. It is therefore assumed, unless notification to discontinue is received, that the subscriber wishes no interruption in his series. Notification to discontinue at expiration can be sent in any time during the year.

**PRESENTATION COPIES** — Many persons subscribe for friends, intending that the paper shall stop at the end of the year. If instructions are given to discontinue they will receive attention at the proper time.

**THE DATE ON WHICH YOUR SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRES** is printed on each issue opposite your name. Please remit for renewal two weeks before this date. Please give your *exact* address in every letter. When requesting a change, give both the *old* and *new* address. Do not omit the *Mrs.* or *Miss*.

**OLD OR NEW** — Kindly state when sending in subscriptions whether the name is *now* on our list, or whether it is a new name to be entered.

**Editor, MRS. NELLIE WADE WHITCOMB, Ocean Park, Maine.**

**Publication Office, 195 Main Street, Saco, Maine, W. L. STREETER, Agent.**

**Branch Office, 107 Howland St., Boston, Mass., MISS A. M. MOSHER, Agent.**

To whom all matters relating to subscriptions should be sent

Entered as second-class matter February 5, 1906, at the post office at Saco, Maine, under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1879

## EDITORIAL CONTRIBUTORS

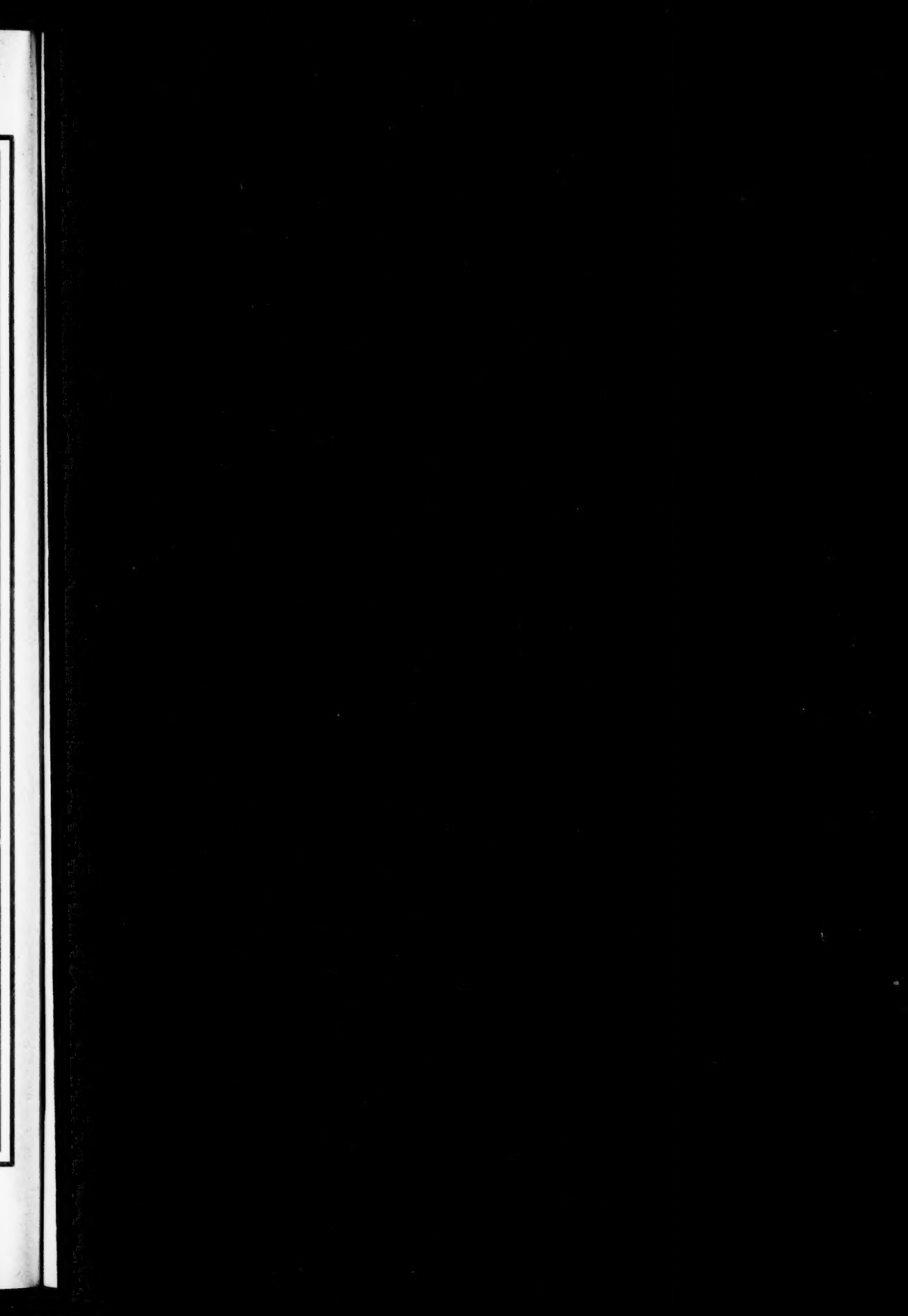
MISS L. C. COOMES, India      MRS. R. D. LORD      MRS. EMELINE BURLINGAME CHENEY  
MRS. LAURA E. HARTLEY      MRS. M. A. W. BACHELDER      IDA LORD ERMICK  
MRS. LOU M. P. DURGIN      PROF. H. T. MACDONALD      PROF. A. W. ANTHONY, D. D.

## PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

MISS LENA S. FENNER      MRS. ETHELYN H. ROBERTS      MRS. LUCIA H. LIBBY  
MISS MAY MALVERN      MISS EDYTH R. PORTER  
MRS. H. H. HAYES      MRS. WALTER MALVERN

## CONTENTS

From the Editor's Desk	-	-	-	-	258
Glimpses of Annual Meeting— <i>Jessie L. Waterman</i>	-	-	-	-	260
Vital Points in "Union" Report	-	-	-	-	264
Tenth Annual Conference for Missionary Education	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	— <i>Gladys E. Doe</i> 265
Quiz	-	-	-	-	270
Interesting Events in India	-	-	-	-	271
Quarterly Meeting at Bhudrack	-	-	-	-	273
General Conference Notes	-	-	-	-	275
Treasurer's Notes	-	-	-	-	276
General Subscription Agent's Notes	-	-	-	-	278
Helps for Monthly Meetings	-	-	-	-	279
Practical Christian Living	-	-	-	-	281
Letter From Japan	-	-	-	-	283
Sunday School Life in the Philippines	-	-	-	-	285
Juniors	-	-	-	-	286
Receipts for July 1916	-	-	-	-	288







# The Missionary Helper

PUBLISHED MONTHLY BY THE  
FREE BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

MOTTO: *Faith and Works Win.*

VOL. XXXIX

SEPTEMBER, 1916

No. 9



*Florence Jessie Enman      Edith Rosilla Enman  
Norman Holden Enman*

*Who will support a child in Sinclair Orphanage.*

**FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK**

Are we saying to ourselves, "Annual Meeting is over"? Annual Meeting is, in fact, but the beginning of a new year of work, outlined carefully and prayerfully by a group of women of whom we are justly proud, in whom we have absolute confidence, but whose plans would be of no avail unless we all worked together to carry them out. Again and again we felt the harmony in diversity of our Society. Free Baptist women have positive convictions. They are ready to fight for a principle, but we saw nothing that indicated an attempt to gain "my way," only to find the right way. Everybody rejoiced—as if it were her own doing!—in the wise and gracious guidance of our President, the knowledge and efficiency of our Recording Secretary, the winsome personality and report of our Corresponding Secretary, the continuous, faithful, conscientious service of our Treasurer, the enthusiasm and charm of representatives of Storer College and our India field, the characteristic individuality of the several members of the Board of Managers; and ever in mind—frequently in speech—were those who still belong to us, although far away or quite beyond mortal vision. Miss Waterman and Miss Porter gave interesting glimpses, on other pages, of the various happenings; and Mrs. Bachelder presents vital points in the action of the Joint Committee on Union—as accepted by the Society. Inadvertently, in copying her article, the following statement, to which she would call special attention, was omitted: "By vote of the Society, our Field Secretaries, Mrs. Stout for the West and Miss Fenner for the East, are retained, and will be ready to visit auxiliaries and keep us in touch with the work as usual," Miss Coe, at home on furlough, will also do field work. She won our hearts at Annual Meeting, and we wanted to hear more, and yet more, about her children, and ours, at Balasore. Let us not forget for a moment that the work for India and Storer is still *our* work, demanding our loyalty and effort. Any changes in *method* that may be necessary in the future will be promptly, clearly, and fully stated in the *HELPER*. Shall we have a splendid fall campaign for our magazine, not merely because we love it, but primarily because it is needed as an educator just now? We want our next Thank Offering to be the best ever. It is time to order the "Thank You Boxes," for we love to use them every day. Note Mrs. Chapman's announcement about "a number of things." Mrs. Hartley is ready to help Cradle Roll Superintendents in any way possible. She is

happy over two new Life Members obtained at Annual Meeting, Ruth Eleanor and Mona Alice Oxrieder, children of our Bengal-Orissa missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Oxrieder. Loving greeting to these new Little Light Bearers!....It was good, indeed, to have our Honorary Treasurer, Miss Laura A. DeMeritte, in active attendance at the meetings, and is a continuing joy to have her again a cheery part of Ocean Park activities.....Mrs. Anne S. D. Bates, now of Syracuse, N. Y., has given her precious Scrap Book to the HELPER Library. It contains her serial, "Shenandoah Mission Reminiscences," and much other denominational matter which it might be difficult to obtain elsewhere. She writes, "I may slip away any time now, but heaven is not far. My heart is with you in your blessed work."....Dr. Mary writes, "We had a perfectly lovely time at Chandipore this year. Mrs. Holder and Doris and I were in the Wyman cottage. Mrs. Frost had some of the Orphanage boys out there and they had great fun on the beach and in the water. Miss Barnes had invited the Sinclair Orphanage girls to spend the month of vacation with her at Jellasure, so I was free to be away and I did greatly enjoy my holiday of three weeks. Dr. Kennan was down for a few days, and had his usual success in finding deer and other game. He is a great hunter and knows and loves the jungle. He had a tent by the river and did his traveling by native boat. Sunday he spent with us and gave a practical, helpful talk in the afternoon. I am sending you some mounted grasses from our beloved seaside resort. The spray with silver haired leaves and little yellow flower is from a small vine; and that innocent, pretty flower developes into a most objectionable spiked hard fruit that your bare feet pick up, to your pain and grief! They specially abound in front of the Kennan cottage. The sprays of fir are from a shrub that is common in some parts of the jungle, and I recall seeing it near the banks of the Suez Canal. The other leaf, on some of the cards, is wild indigo. It has a small purple flower, later in the year. I hope you may be able to sell these cards for the benefit of the HELPER Cut Fund." All but six were sold at Annual Meeting. ....A friend in India writes, "I hope that next year some new missionary will be sent to Balasore (for the woman's work). I don't know what the result will be of putting so much on each one of us. I'm afraid it will not be of advantage to either the work or the workers."

**GLIMPSES OF ANNUAL MEETING**

By MISS JESSIE L. WATERMAN.

*My dear Fidelia:—*

Knowing your eagerness to hear, I am going to give you a little of the Annual Meeting. As Mrs. Durgin said, the reports as read were "rather large doses, but you'll have a chance to Fletcherize them when they come out in the HELPER."

Annual Meeting, like the Jewish Sabbath, began the night before,—at least for some of us, who couldn't attend the Board Meetings; the pleasure began in hunting up the long-time comrades and in greeting, face-to-face, workers from West and East, and in having little personal visits with the friends of many years. How good it was to see them again!

Tuesday, August 1, dawned clear and cool and was an ideal day throughout. The class room in Jordan Memorial was filled for the devotional led by May Malvern at 9 o'clock. The scripture was the "Vine and Branches" chapter, and she emphasized especially "interested altruism" and the necessity of "abiding," that we may reach out into other lives most effectively. There were many earnest prayers, too,—a delightful service.

The business meeting was in the large front room which was charmingly decorated by Miss Foss with large ferns and blue and yellow flowers. Our beautiful banner, blue with the old English letters F. B. W. M. S. in gold, extended across the front of the president's table, while the pennants of the same colors were at the right and left of the alcove containing the platform. All the officers and some of the other members had touches of the blue and gold about their dresses, which were mostly white. I like the idea of "showing our colors,"—they are beautiful and symbolic.

The meeting opened by singing Mrs. Whitcomb's inspiring hymn, "Faith and Works Shall Win," after which Mrs. Oxrieder offered prayer, and the records were read. Then began the regular reports. Mrs. Chapman reported increased demands upon the Bureau of Missionary Intelligence and a need of more leaflets about our own workers. She also emphasized the use of the Thank Offering boxes and urged us each to take home a supply and distribute them early this fall. She had a large quantity of samples of leaflets, pamphlets, books, charts, etc.—in fact of

*all* our supplies, which made an attractive exhibit in one of the rooms in the rear. On another table in the same room were the post cards, photos and mounted grasses, which are sold for the "Cut Fund." Some of the new cards are *very* attractive,—little Doris Holder and her mother you will all want.

Our president has a delightful way of enlivening things with her sense of humor. The secretary's table blocked one of the aisles, and as Mrs. Hartley started to read her report, Mrs. Durgin said, "Come down the other aisle, please, we're having a little close communion here." The Cradle Roll has made wonderful progress in the last ten years. We now have four grades of certificates. Especial attention was called to the beautiful new one for life members, prepared by Mr. Armstrong, our Ocean Park artist. The unique border of children's faces of all lands is most appealing. Mrs. Hartley laid special stress upon the duty of devoting our funds *first of all for our own brown babies*,—we are pledged to care for them; then, if we are able, give "the little more" to the causes that touch our hearts; but we *must* do for *our own*.

I can give you but few items now from the Corresponding Secretary's report. You will read it all in the November HELPER. Lots of good things were said about Storer. Miss Coe will remain at home for the present; Mrs. Burkholder, Miss Butts and Miss Gowen are due to come home next year; our new missionaries have passed their examinations successfully and are beginning to use the vernacular; and the calls for teachers of the gospel for native villages are urgent. How many could be used if they were only there, equipped for the work!

The Thank Offering Committee reported over \$1,276 received and a large number of services held. Miss Mosher reported 23 more subscribers on the HELPER list, in spite of losses, and made a plea for the Sustaining Fund which received contributions ranging from \$25 to 11 cents!

We missed our faithful N. E. Secretary, Mrs. Webber, but her report was read by Miss Coe, whom all were glad to welcome. Maine has 10 new auxiliaries and takes the largest number of HELPERS. The report of the Western Secretary, Mrs. Stout, was read by Miss Malvern, and showed gains in the number of bands, guilds, etc. There is an urgent call for field workers in Texas.

The noon hour was spent in Porter Memorial where the Biddeford



auxiliary served an appetizing luncheon, after which an opportunity was given to meet and greet the missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Oxrieder and their children, Miss Coe, the Hamlens and Dr. and Mrs. Porter.

In the afternoon the meeting opened with the singing of the "Rally Song" written by our president, and prayer by Mr. Oxrieder. Mrs. Whitcomb gave a brief but interesting report of the HELPER and the Cut Fund, and pledges for the latter to the amount of \$34.50 were taken. The HELPER is more than ever needed in our work just now. A silk quilt, made by a lady in New York, Mrs. Firman, for the benefit of the HELPER, realized some \$11.35 from the collection taken and it was voted to send the quilt to Mrs. Emeline B. Cheney, our former Editor, on her 80th birthday. We also decided to send a shower of cards to Mrs. Mary A. Davis, whose presence we miss so much. She is now in Manchester, N. H., at 93 Myrtle St.

The Pittsfield, Me., auxiliary gave a "Demonstration Meeting,"—not a *model*, the president said, but a sample of how they conduct their meetings. As their society combines Missionary Society, Ladies' Aid and Literary Society all in one, their programs are more varied than in most of our auxiliaries. The social committee reported a Reciprocity Meeting to which ladies of other churches were invited, and a Gentlemen's Night; the Flower Committee remembers birthdays and the Shut-ins; the Finance Committee divides the membership into eight groups, each of which raises the money for one month,—meetings being held for eight months. An interesting letter from Amy Porter was read by her mother, a member of the auxiliary, and Miss Buxton sang a beautiful hymn, "The Other Lost Sheep," written by Mrs. Mary B. Wingate. Mrs. Metcalf gave a very interesting talk on Storer College. Besides explaining the problem of supplying water to the College on so high an elevation and the importance of buying "Circus Hill," adjacent to the Storer grounds, Mrs. Metcalf spoke interestingly of other material needs and departments of work, closing with a tribute to the quality and character of the graduates of Storer. One great need is of a well equipped, educated pastor for the College Church. The work is carried on at present by the already over-worked teachers.

Miss Coe was also on the program and won all our hearts by her enthusiasm and charming personality. She gave as her subject, "Fruit; usable, not ripe (uncertain), spoiled," and under this figure gave us glimpses of many of her "children" in Sinclair Orphanage. Those who

are already "usable" are most interesting; nearly all the others are "uncertain,"—but full of promise.

The report of the Committee on Conference with Baptist Workers was listened to with the closest attention and interest. There seemed to be a very earnest desire to be so divinely guided that we would do the right thing. Since so many of our churches have united with the Baptists, it has been inevitable that the funds of the auxiliaries formerly "coming our way" should go gradually into other channels. In spite of this, *we have met our apportionments!* But it is a question how long we can continue to do this. After much questioning and consideration it was voted to adopt the report, which had already been most carefully considered and adopted by the Board of Managers, after months of earnest work by the committee.

The details of the plan you will learn later. If this is accepted by the Baptist Women, we still have our Home Missionary Work and "Our HELPER"—both beloved trusts; in fact, we have *all* we have had before, though the administration may be somewhat different.

The evening was delightful—a dramatic presentation of "One Day in India," with readings and music, given by young men and women of Lowell under the direction of Mrs. Walter A. Chase and Belle Harrington Hall.

This is just an outline of "Annual Meeting," toward which we have looked so many months. Can you read between the lines, and guess the longing for "the touch of a vanished hand, and the sound of a voice that is still?" And we sadly missed, too, those who still remain, who have presided over us in the past (do you realize we have had but three presidents?), and others whose prayers, counsels and comradeship have been precious. *But* we have still women of the same loyalty of heart, the same devotion, the same high courage to face the unknown that the mothers of our society had, and as we separated we went with this prayer in our hearts:

"Lord, the newness of this day  
Calls us to an untried way;  
Let us gladly take the road,  
Give us strength to bear our load;  
Thou our Guide and Helper be,  
We will travel through with Thee."

Faithfully yours,

Conscripta.

*Ocean Park, Maine, August 9, 1916.*

### VITAL POINTS IN "UNION" REPORT

At the annual Board meetings at Ocean Park, in July, the committee chosen to represent the Society on Joint Committee of American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, and Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, reported the action of the Joint Committee at a meeting held in Boston June 15th. After careful discussion the report was accepted, with a few amendments, and at the annual society meeting, August 1st, the report was accepted as amended.

The Finance Committee and Foreign Department of the W. A. B. F. M. S., at their meeting, August 2nd, voted to accept the report of Joint Committee, including amendments. The executive committee meeting of their National Society is in October, when they can take more formal action, although the full Board does not meet until May. The complete report will appear in November, in the annual report number of the *HELPER*, but the vital points we may like to have at once.

The contract between the A. B. F. M. S. and the F. B. W. M. S. will be abrogated. The W. A. B. F. M. S. assumes the support of all our work in India, we, in union with it, paying our Foreign Mission money toward that work as in the past, also the income of our invested funds, given for Foreign Missions, above a due proportion for administrative expenses. The property in the Bengal-Orissa Field which belongs to the F. B. W. M. S. will be transferred to the W. A. B. F. M. S., on condition that it be used for the purpose specified.

Please notice, that we shall still hold our legal organization for the care of invested funds and whatever trusts through bequests or other gifts may come to us; that *THE MISSIONARY HELPER* goes on and will take great pains to keep us in touch with our work; that there will be a committee of three, one from the W. A. B. F. M. S., one from the F. B. W. M. S., and one chosen by these two, as a medium for all arrangements and adjustments between the two societies; that our Treasurer will meet with the Apportionment Committee to consult with the members in regard to the resources of our auxiliaries, so that fair estimates may be made; that the buildings in our India Field are "to be used for the same purposes for which they were designed."

We must remember that the work of the Joint Committee is a general plan having to do with the *three* Societies. Details will be worked out



between the two Woman's Societies. This will take time and patience. Circumstances, for which neither of the Woman's Societies is responsible, have brought about this situation. Both are showing in their action their willingness to meet it in a spirit of fairness and Christian fellowship. For us it is a change of method rather than of work. After a while new names will appear on our Apportionment Committee; Miss Porter will send the money to a new treasurer, but it will still go to our Bengal-Orissa Field. We will watch the HELPER for what our officers may tell us until we meet again. They are trying to carry out our purposes as they understand them; this Committee has worked as the servants of the Society, having a great desire to protect our work for the present and for the future. Shall we not meet the situation with courage and hope, doing our part in an uncritical spirit, desiring only the highest good?

MARY A. W. BACHELDER,

Chairman of Committee, F. B. W. M. S.

*Ocean Park, Maine.*

---

## TENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR MISSIONARY EDUCATION

Ocean Park, Maine, July 21-30, 1916

By GLADYS E. DOE.

Rain ushered in the Conference, stayed with it, and left with it; but it was unable, for the most part, to dampen the spirits of those who came. It was an enthusiastic crowd of young people who gathered, as the day progressed, ready for a week of profitable study and recreation.

Although the registration fee was advanced to \$3.00, there were, during the week, 221 registrations, just one less than last year. Eleven states, including Michigan and West Virginia and the Province of Quebec, were represented, Massachusetts having the largest delegation. Of the seven denominations represented, the Baptists led in numbers. There were about nine house-parties, besides the "Jolly Round Ups" which included all those not otherwise affiliated.

The program was an inspiring one, presenting well known leaders, each a specialist in his line. The music, directed by Mr. Bell, promoted to an unusual degree, the devotional spirit. Each day at 8.40 A. M. the entire Conference met for a short period of intercession, under the leadership of the presiding officer, Rev. A. M. Parker, pastor, Mystic Side

Congregational Church, Everett and Malden, Mass.—theme, “Life Studies from Mark.” The next two periods, from 9.10 to 11.20, were devoted to the study of the following themes: “Mexico Today,” leader, Dr. P. H. J. Lerrigo, New England District Secretary American Baptist Societies. “South American Neighbors,” leader, Miss Mary A. L. Easton, Providence S. S. Union. “The South Today,” leader, Dr. H. A. Atkinson, Secretary Social Service Commission of Congregational



Group of Instructors at Missionary Education Conference

Churches. “Church Efficiency,” leader, Dr. F. A. Agar, Field Secretary, United Missionary Campaign of Northern Baptist Convention. “War and Christian Missions,” leader, Rev. Enoch Bell, Assistant Secretary American Board. “Normal Training,” leader, Mr. H. S. Myers, Executive Secretary of the Missionary Education Movement. “Missionary Education in the Sunday School,” leader, Rev. A. W. Bailey, Superintendent Northern New England Congregational S. S. and Publication Society. “Missionary Education of Boys and Girls Under Nine,” leader, Miss E. G. Pierce, Primary Grade Superintendent, Providence, R. I. “Missionary Education of Boys and Girls 9-12,” leader, Miss Pauline Scarborough, Madison, N. J. “Missionary Education of Boys and Girls 13-16,” leader, Rev. A. W. Bailey. “Missionary Education of Young Men

and Women," leader, Rev. H. R. Whitelock, First Baptist Church, Allston, Mass. "Missionary Education in Young People's Society," leader, Mr. Swaffield, First Baptist Church, Clairemont, N. H. "Missionary Education in Woman's Missionary Society," leader, Mrs. Daniels, President Congregational Woman's Board of Missions. "Principles and Methods of Missionary Education," leader, Mr. Myers. "Missionary Education through Dramatics," leader, Miss H. L. Willcox, Hartford, Conn., author



Mr. Lerrigo's Class, "Mexico Today"

of Missionary Plays. "The Missionary Message of the Bible," leader, Mr. Sherwood, First Baptist Church, Keene, N. H. "Bible Studies in Service," leader, Mr. Whitelock. "Servants of the King," leader, Mrs. A. W. Bailey. "Comrades in Service," leader, Mrs. Anderson, Presbyterian Board of Missions. The last three named were for delegates under 19. From 11.30 to 12.10 were presented such vital themes as "The Two Americas," the United Missionary Program for 1916-17, Mr. Harry Wade Hicks, General Secretary of the Missionary Education Movement. "Problems of the Colored Race," President MacDonald, Storer College, West Virginia. "After the War—What?" Rev. Enoch Bell. Talk on Burma, Rev. Mr. Nichols, missionary to Burma. "The Fly in the Oint-

ment," and "The Household of Faith," Dr. Agar. "How Can We Conserve Our Work and Make It More Effective?" Mr. Myers.

The afternoons, given over to recreation, directed by Mr. Beal, were made enjoyable by "The Lolly-Pop Jolly Up," "The Treasure Hunt" and the house-party stunts held on the beach, the class stunts in Guild Park, the base-ball game between girls and boys, fishing, a trip to Portland to hear the grand Municipal Organ, and the ever-enjoyable bathing. No sharks were seen to mar the delightful sport.



Mrs. Daniels' Class, Impersonating "Ye Female Cent Society" of 1821, in Guild Park.

Two services were held each night at 7 o'clock—one on the beach, with different leaders, and the other in B. C. Jordan Memorial—a Life-Work Service, led by Mr. Bell. Both services were an inspiration throughout the Conference. The 8 o'clock services were very helpful and instructive. Friday evening was devoted to the registration of delegates. Illustrated lectures were given on South America by Mr. Myers, and Immigration by Dr. Atkinson. Tuesday and Friday evenings, denominational gatherings were held, where vital subjects were discussed. The Missionary Play, "Election Day," dealing with the mountaineers of the South, written and directed by Miss Willcox, was presented Wednesday

evening. Dr. Stanley White of the Presbyterian Board of Missions spoke Thursday evening on "War and Missions." On Friday evening, Mr. Myers presented the "Three Phases of the Missionary Education Movement," and Mr. Parker told of the work of the New England Territorial Committee.

This year, the Conference held over two Sundays. At 9.30 A. M. a Devotional Service was held, and a beach service at 5 P. M. July 23, Rev. F. M. Sheldon, Secretary Congregational Boards of Missions, preached in the morning on the text, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me." In the evening, reports from the Panama Congress were given by Mr. Myers and Mr. Hicks, setting forth the opportunities and duties of the evangelical church in Latin America.

July 30 was the closing day of the Conference. The sermon was preached by Rev. L. H. Bugbee, pastor, Center Methodist Episcopal Church, Malden, Mass., whose subject was, "Brotherly Love After the Example of Jesus." The evening took the form of a farewell service. A large audience listened to an address by Dr. Lerrigo, after which the delegates had their farewell service, led by Mr. Parker. Many delegates expressed what the Conference had meant to them and what they purposed to do the coming year. Several told of decisions concerning Life-work, made during the ten days.

Here are some snappy vital thoughts:

"What the world and life means to us depends upon what we are."  
—Mr. Sheldon.

"Christ will be the great international unifier."—Mr. Bell.

"Money, time, and energy belong to Christ, who has bought us."  
"Worship, work, and giving are essential to spiritual life."—Dr. Agar.

"Jesus had for us an understanding love, with a personal interest, to the point of sacrifice."—Mr. Bugbee.

*Medford, Mass.*

---

Missions are no incident in the Church's life; they are no appendix to her ministry; they are no afterthought in the purpose of God. But they are embedded in the very center of God's plan for the Church in this age, and very heart of her life and activity.—*Selected.*



## QUIZ

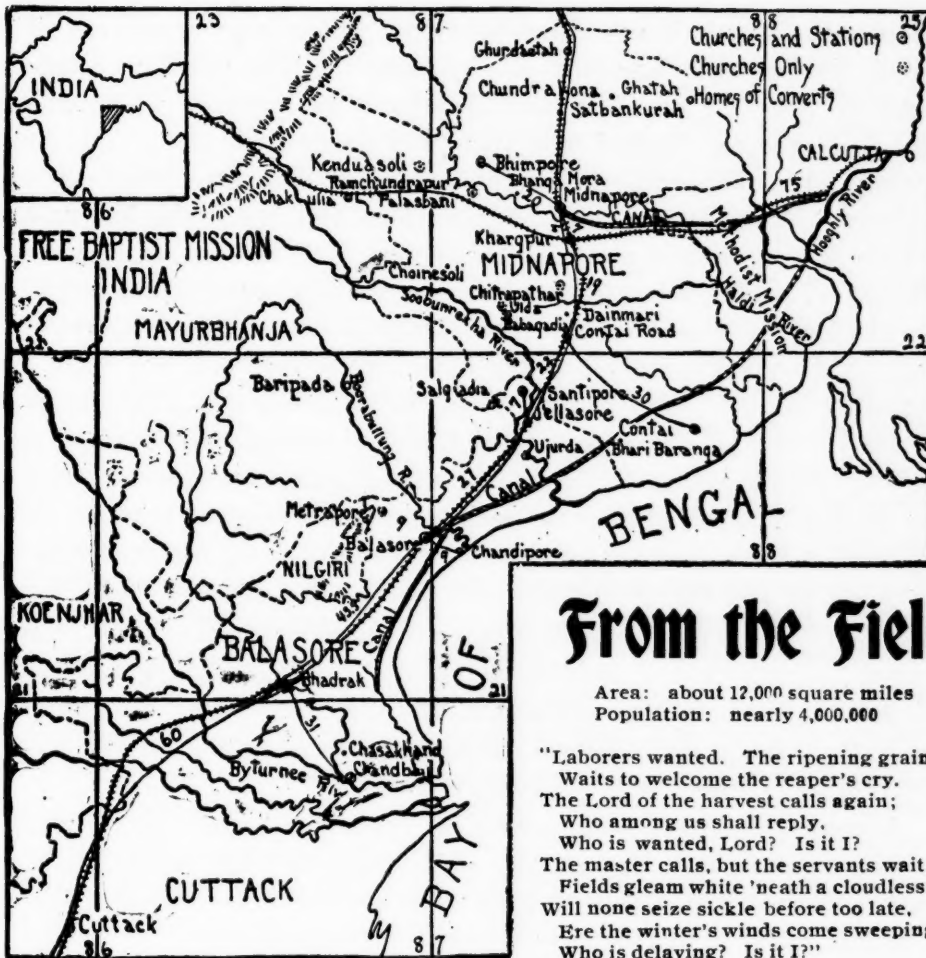
- "Towards Success"—whose motto?  
Where was the largest class?  
What are their plans for the future?  
Who has ceased to be racial and become national?  
What is contrary to the welfare of nations?  
What is winning fame?  
Under what circumstances were all baptized anew with the spirit of service?  
What did a noted educator say about Storer?  
What is reported of a plot of land?  
What vision is more alluring than ever?  
Who can repeat some happy items of Cradle Roll news?  
Where was it boiling, sizzling hot?  
What was like a game of "stage coach"?  
Who took 80 children on an outing? Where?  
Can you describe the girls who were loaded with ornaments?  
Where are children so well and happy that they are not sorry for themselves for being orphans?  
Who is Hara and what are some of her characteristics?  
What is the story of Kasova, the Light Bearer?  
What are gratifying results?  
How have we taken the second mile of privilege?  
What is the story of the Spartan boy? How applied?  
What are essential helps for the study of "World Missions and World Peace"?  
What is a "bunch of sweet P's"?  
Which auxiliary made the largest gift in June?  
What are some essentials of the spiritual life?

(Answers may be found in the August HELPER.)

---

Somebody did a golden deed;  
Somebody proved a friend in need;  
Somebody sang a beautiful song;  
Somebody smiled the whole day long;  
Somebody thought, "'Tis sweet to live;"  
Somebody said, "I'm glad to give;"  
Somebody fought a valiant fight;  
Somebody lived to shield the right;  
Was it you?

—Boston Transcript.



## From the Field

Area: about 12,000 square miles  
Population: nearly 4,000,000

"Laborers wanted. The ripening grain  
Waits to welcome the reaper's cry.  
The Lord of the harvest calls again;  
Who among us shall reply,  
Who is wanted, Lord? Is it I?  
The master calls, but the servants wait;  
Fields gleam white 'neath a cloudless sky;  
Will none seize sickle before too late,  
Ere the winter's winds come sweeping by?  
Who is delaying? Is it I?"

### INTERESTING EVENTS IN INDIA

(Letter from Miss Amy Porter, read at Annual Meeting at a "Demonstration Meeting" of the Pittsfield, Me., Auxiliary.)

BALASORE, INDIA, May 3.

*Dear Friends:* I wanted to tell you about my trip to Remnah yesterday. The five miles out by bicycle pulled pretty hard. I thought my bicycle needed oiling, but two hours later coming back over the same road with the sun two hours higher it came just as easy as could be, I was so happy. Oh, but that is a place of promise. A few weeks ago I gave out picture cards. Now every time I go the house is full of children. They

couldn't have known I was going but about thirty-five were there. The fatherly Hindu pundit had hard work to keep the little new ones subdued enough to hear the other classes. I helped the big ones with sewing, heard them all read, looked over their writing on their slates, saw their drawings, etc. Those are the brightest, keenest little girls I have found anywhere. When I gave prizes, I gave to an older girl, who had passed the highest examination and could come very little more, a reading book next beyond what she had read. I was afraid afterward that I ought to have given her a doll. But this time another girl said, "Please next time bring me a book like hers." They have learned to read, now they are hungry for books. They are not poor, they can buy if I give them opportunity. One little new tot named Kali had conquered the letters and was deep in the primer. She will be a star pupil, I foresee. When I gave prizes I had a book bag for each child who possessed a book. Kali didn't have a book then, but now she is demanding a bag for that precious primer. I do like that pundit and that school.

A week ago we had our first convert from Hinduism in that town, baptized. His wife and brother were not baptized then. Sunday, Mr. Collett went out to baptize them, but their relatives had got to trying to hold them back, so they refused. I imagine the man will be persecuted somewhat but I think they will come in time.

A week from next Friday we (the orphanage) start for Jellasure. We take some eighty children, our old servant and his family, mats to sleep on, clothes, plates, tubs to keep water in, etc. The Frosts, Colletts, Dr. Mary, Sadie, Mrs. Holder and Doris go to Chadipore.

*June 5.—*

For three weeks now we have been in this turmoil with seldom a moment to ourselves. One week more and I shall be back in Balasore with all these children delivered into Dr. Mary's hands again. I shall be glad, and Miss Barnes will be glad to have us gone, I am sure. She has been fine about caring for them.

Here comes Nonie with some flowers for me and she is rubbing against my elbow as I write. Some of you know her. Nonie is the short for Anonymous. She came to us without a name. The little legs that were weak for so long—too weak to bear her up, are now strong and she is a healthy girl at last. Here is Moyna, too, one of the two babies that were brought to Mrs. Burkholder on Christmas day some years ago. She



is a happy little soul but sometimes nearly drives me wild by following me about so. The children are all back now from bathing at the river. The next duty is to eat. Three girls under the direction of a matron do all the cooking for the fifty or sixty big girls, and another girl helps the little girls' matron about their cooking. Our family is smaller than usual because those who have any friends at all to go to, have gone for this vacation.

Here is a conundrum for you. The children call us Big Mama and Little Mama. Which is which? Perhaps Miss Coe will be able to say.

This is a very different life from what I had in April. That was such a delightful rest and joy to me,—almost four weeks of study from six to eight hours each day. Life at Cuttack was very different from this. There I was among English missionaries, finding real friends among people whom I had not known before, learning to like English customs and ways, enjoying their social life, getting a glimpse of missionaries at literary work, watching other people's methods and aims. It was all one great big blessing to me. I was so very happy and thankful for it all. I felt all the time as if it were being planned by a Person who loved me. Of course all things are planned for us, but never had I felt the Person who was doing the planning so near. Of course I couldn't even hope to study any this month. As soon as I get home next week I must be at language again. Such a lot as I still have to do, and second year examination only six months ahead.

I wish I could be at Ocean Park with you. Loving greetings to you all from Miss Barnes and me.

Yours very sincerely,

AMY PORTER.

---

### QUARTERLY MEETING AT BHUDRACK

(Home letter from Rev. H. I. Frost, June 18, 1916.)

We came down to Bhudrack by the evening train Thursday, arriving here about 9 o'clock. It is at least two miles from the railway station. Mr. Collett and I were so hungry that we both ate some rice and curry with the brethren. We have been eating chota haziri and tiffin by ourselves and breakfast and dinner with them and the food has been very well cooked.

Now it is about 8 o'clock Sunday morning and the little thatched

roof school house is filled with Hindu children from the so-called "Sunday Schools," which are day schools where pundits receive a monthly stipend for allowing Christian teaching to be given in their schools and for bringing their children to the Sunday School regularly. One of the preachers is conducting the opening devotional service.

Here in Bhudrack we have two buildings, walls of sun-dried brick and roof of thatch, and two ordinary native houses, besides a cook and cow house attached to the biggest building. This largest building was occupied by the Colletts for six months or more and by Miss Barnes for several years.

The preacher stationed here has charge of the Sunday School this morning. Just now five girls, some Hindu and some Christian, are singing a Christian hymn. After Scripture reading and prayer our Balasore pastor is teaching the children a song. He sings and plays the violin. The song runs something like this, "Jesus Christ is the sinner's friend, tell his name"; and now he is telling the children the lesson of today, Paul and Silas, in a vivid way and they are listening well. Now some of the girls are reciting Scripture passages. Several Hindu boys have repeated the twenty-third psalm.

Yesterday we went to the market and stayed nearly two and one-half hours. I did not sit during that time. Nearly everyone preached and we sang many songs. The people listened well. I had the subject of "Hospitality" given me yesterday with Hebrews 13 for a text. I showed that hospitality included more than just entertaining strangers. The unfortunate Christian brethren must be visited and helped. I made hospitality an expression of brotherly love. Today Mr. Collett preaches the sermon and I conduct the communion.

*Wednesday.*—I returned to Balasore early Monday morning. The universal testimony was that we had an excellent session of the Quarterly Meeting. The spirit of friendliness of each one towards the others was very marked. On Sunday evening we all marched through a part of Bhudrack, the men singing songs to the accompaniment of a drum and violin.

A Bengali teacher in the C. M. S. Divinity School near Calcutta, is here this week, holding special services. He is a strong man and we hope will do much good.

This morning I went to the hospital. Miss Gowen and the pastor

went also. A few days ago the Midnapore people sent down an old Hindu woman who had fallen into a well and stayed there all night. She has known Dr. Mary for years and wanted to be near her. Unfortunately Dr. Mary was at Jellasore with Miss Barnes, so the old woman was taken to the hospital. We held a little service. She tore the beads from her neck. She probably will not live.

Did I tell you that 15 out of 16 boys whom we sent to the Matriculation (University) examination passed? This is the best ever done.

H. I. F.

---

### GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTES

The Conference Board held its annual meeting at Ocean Park, Maine, July 18 and 19. A large amount of business, routine, technical, financial, and legal, was transacted. The officers were re-elected: Dr. R. D. Lord, President; Hon. C. E. Milliken, Vice President; Dr. T. H. Stacy, Recording Secretary, and Miss H. A. Deering, Assistant Recording Secretary; and the Executive Committee, Messrs. Lord, Stacy, Milliken and Webb, and Mrs. Avery.

A committee of five, consisting of Drs. J. A. Howe, H. M. Ford, J. W. Mauck, A. W. Anthony, and J. M. Davis, was appointed to terminate the existence of the Free Baptist Pastors' Correspondence School, or to reorganize it and adapt it to changed condition, as seemed best.

Mr. Harry S. Myers, so long identified with the Young People's Work of our denomination, and now Associate Secretary of the Missionary Education Movement, with offices in New York City, was nominated Special Joint Secretary, to represent Free Baptists in the Five Year Program Campaign and for such other service as the Joint Committee may direct.

The Executive Committee was empowered to fix the date and place for the session of General Conference in 1917.

At the evening sessions the report of the Corresponding Secretary was given and an address by Dr. G. H. Hamlen on Missions, and on the second evening an address by Rev. W. H. Lippard, Assistant Secretary of the Foreign Mission Society, on the Five Year Program.

It was gratifying to see Rev. J. H. Oxrieder, of Kharagpur, India, in good health, recovered from his attack of tuberculosis.

ALFRED WILLIAMS ANTHONY,  
Corresponding Secretary.

*Ocean Park, Maine.*

## TREASURER'S NOTES

We asked Miss DeMeritte to join with us in this month's notes, and so give first place to her words:

"The reports of Storer College, given during our recent annual meeting by Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Metcalf, were very encouraging. The largest class in the history of the school was graduated in May. In the near future the water works will be completed, and an addition made to the industrial building.

There never was a time when Storer College needed more money than now, or a time when its worthiness should appeal more convincingly to our benefactions, and yet there never was a year when our contributions to this work, through our Society, were smaller than they were last year. The Board feels the situation so keenly that it has instructed the treasurer to make stirring appeals in its behalf. The appropriations for the year 1916-17, in addition to the income from the Cristy Fund, are \$1400—about \$900 more than was contributed last year.

The friends of Storer,—and there are many we believe—wish to know the situation, and, knowing it, will see to it that these appropriations are met before July 1, 1917. This means that the auxiliaries that are giving nothing to the school, and these are many, should contribute again, as they have in the past, and that personal friends should give liberally.

The F. B. Woman's Missionary Society has been deeply interested in this institution for about forty years, and has had the hearty support of its constituency. We appeal for the same loyalty in the future. In sending your money to the treasurer, say a good word for Storer, that we may pass it along, through these notes, to others, who, through your message, may be influenced to give."

Smiling skies, goodly attendance, interesting programs, important business, enthusiastic workers,—all featured *annual meeting* day, and brought to a successful close another year of W. M. S. service.

The ten days of Board meetings preceding were busy though pleasant ones in our working together, for the always apparent desire—yes, purpose—of our leaders to know what is for the greatest good to our Heavenly Father's work at large, and to make decisions according to that greatest good, gives assurance and confidence in midst of always present perplexities.

The renewing and making acquaintanceship of the luncheon hour

enlarges the social possibilities of the day, and to the Biddeford auxiliary we are indebted for this enjoyable opportunity. If you had known that four "truly" missionaries,—(Rev. and Mrs. Oxrieder, Mrs. Hamlin, and Miss Coe), Dr. and Mrs. Porter, parents of our Miss Amy Porter, and Miss Fenner, our Corresponding Secretary, were to be present, and you were to have opportunity to meet them at this time, would you not have made special effort to be present?

By the way, it will be your joy to know that Mrs. Oxrieder is in absolutely restored health.

The Pittsfield Auxiliary in its interesting provision for the afternoon—"just one of our usual programs," as its members said—gave us opportunity to listen to Miss Coe, so recently returned from our India field, and our Sinclair proteges stepped out into actuality, as she told us of them, their needs, their possibilities, their making good, and their sometime fallings out. We noted that sunshine work figured largely in the plans of the Pittsfield Auxiliary.

The Lowell, Paige St. Church Auxiliary, gave us for the evening's splendid program, "One Day in India", and we heard a missionary bear testimony to a trueness to life which closed eyes, at times, might have deceived her as being a Bengal-Orissa day.

The little folks who look out so pleasantly from the first page of this number of the HELPER are Florence, Edith and Norman Holden Enman, who are to take little Sabitra, in Sinclair Orphanage, for their charge during the present year. Of her Dr. Mary says: "Our dear little Jellasure Sabitra is such a pathetic loving mite, I am sure you would help us spoil her with petting." It is so fitting, so splendid for our boys and girls to share their abundance with their less fortunate brown cousins across the sea.

The Primary Department of the Providence (R. I.) Roger Williams Church Sunday School sent its gift toward support of child in Sinclair Orphanage, by Miss Emma Pierce, teacher, and in form of a five dollar gold piece.

Field Secretarial work is to be undertaken by Miss Coe in New England, Miss Fenner in Michigan and Mrs. Stout in Texas, and this with the thought that our W. M. S. friends will want definite understanding of the working out of union between the Woman's Baptist F. M. Society and our F. B. Woman's Missionary Society. And right here let us say that there should be no lessening of effort on our part when the plans of union are perfected. We each, as individual or auxiliary member of our F. B. W. M. S., should be *sure* that, in the united effort, we are giving in the same generous way that has been characteristic of our giving thro the years, and as a reminder we enumerate the Bengal-Orissa interests in the support of which we have been sharing: Salaries, Dr. Mary Bachelor, Miss L. C. Coombs, Miss E. M. Butts, Miss S. B. Gowen, Miss E. E. Barnes, Mrs. I. M. Holder, Miss A. Porter and Miss Ruth Daniels.



Toward support of Hindu schools, zenana teachers and Bible women at Midnapore; Hindu schools, zenana teachers, Bible women, kindergarten work, Sinclair Orphanage, and Widows' Home at Balasore; teachers and Bible women at Jellasure, and teachers and Bible women at Santipore.

Yours in enlarged service,

EDYTH R. PORTER.

47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.

### GENERAL SUBSCRIPTION AGENT'S NOTES

Annual Meeting has come and gone since I last wrote my "Notes." The full report of what the year has been in the history of the HELPER, seen from the subscription agent's standpoint, will appear later, but there are two items that are so good and so encouraging that I want our constituency to know them right off.

One is that our subscription list is longer by 23 than it was last year. In this fact, we at Ocean Park for annual meeting, found exceeding cause for rejoicing. That at this time when so many factors were at work tending to attract interest away from what was distinctively a Free Baptist publication, there should be a real increase in bona fide paying subscribers was an inspiration to greater faith in the call of the HELPER to bear the Lord's message, and an incentive to greater endeavor to promote its knowledge. People in this day and generation don't pay fifty cents a year for anything unless they are interested in it and want it. So we are sure the HELPER has been proving its worth.

The other item is in connection with my own dear godchild, the sustaining fund. It amounted last year to \$145.88. It isn't yet entirely worthy of its name, for of course that amount of money is not enough to sustain the HELPER, but it is a great help, and a cause, we feel, for abundant rejoicing. A brief time was given at the Board Meeting at which the HELPER was presented, to taking pledges toward this fund for the year we are now entering on, and a few minutes more at Annual Meeting. At this writing, Aug. 3, forty-seven dollars have already been subscribed. Isn't that glorious for a beginning? Who next?

So we go forth into another year full of courage and hope.

Cordially,

107 Howland St., Boston, Mass.

A. M. MOSHER.

#### PLEDGES FOR SUSTAINING FUND.

At Board Meeting:—Mrs. Whitcomb, \$3.00; Mrs. Durgin, \$3.00; Mrs. Bachelder, \$3.00; Dover Auxiliary, \$3.00; Miss DeMeritte, \$3.00; Mrs. Fullam, \$3.00; Mrs. Metcalf, \$3.00; Boston Ladies' Aid, \$3.00; Massachusetts Association, \$3.00; Portland Auxiliary, \$3.00; Miss Malvern, \$1.00.

At Annual Meeting:—Miss Porter, \$3.00; Lewiston Auxiliary, \$3.00; Miss Anthony, \$5.00; Scarboro Auxiliary, \$5.00.

# Helps for Monthly Meetings

"Study it in, pray it through, work it out."

## Topics for 1916-17

September—	Fellowship Meeting.
October—	War and the Kingdom.
November—	Home Missions.
December—	Christian Conquest of Europe: East.
January—	Christian Conquest of Europe: West
February—	Prayer and Praise.
March—	The Protestant Epoch of Christian Conquest.
April—	Heroism in Christian Conquest.
May—	Thank Offering.
June—	Peace and the Kingdom.
July—	Field Day.

## October—War And The Kingdom.

We are not expected to live the Christian life without the Christian power. The spirit of Jesus is able to transform the world, but it cannot do this while the people through whom it ought to work, the followers of Christ, acquiesce in a lower ideal than that which he showed us.—*Christ and War*.

## Suggestive Program

OPENING HYMN.—"Uprouse You! Soldiers of the Cross." (*Missionary Hymnal*, page 65.)

RESPONSIVE BIBLE READING.—"The Kingdom of Peace."

Leader—Ps. 29:11. Response—Jas. 3:17. Leader—Ps. 37:37. Response—Jas. 3:18. Leader—Isa. 26:3. Response—Isa. 32:18. Leader—Isa. 32:17. Response—I Cor. 14:33. Leader—Isa. 48:18. Response—Luke 14:42. Leader—John 16:33. Response—John 14:27. Leader—Rom. 14:19. Response—Isa. 52:7. Leader—II Cor. 13:11. Response—Luke 2:14. Leader—Num. 6:26. (The complete reading may be found in "Scripture Readings and Prayers.")

PRAYER.

CURRENT EVENTS IN OUR OWN FIELDS, including HELPER "Quiz".

THE LESSON—World Missions and World Peace. Chapter I.

(Note: Read Mrs. Chapman's very complete announcement in the July HELPER in regard to helps for the study of our new text book, also her reference to leaflets, in this number. A wall map is a necessity. On this trace the growth of Christianity during the first three centuries. The charts are especially good. Use the first three with this chapter. Attention of program committees is again called to the desirability of using the attractive pamphlet, "Maid In America," as well as the indispensable "How to Use," in the preparation of programs.)

For the Blackboard: "Aim. To show how, and by what means the original clear conviction about peace was obscured in the Christian Church." Below this draw an outspread hand. As each of the five women who are to emphasize a special point in the lesson comes for-

ward, she should write her topic on the board beneath the hand and the number in the finger which she represents.

1. Christ and the apostles taught peace. (Brief talk developed by Bible reading and summary, pages 6 and 7.)
2. The Church of the first two centuries practiced it. (Testimony, pages 14-17.)
3. Constantine, the impact of Mohammedanism, and the Papal power, are responsible for the introduction of military ideas (pages 17-25).
4. The Protestant Reformation failed to dislodge militarism (pages 25-33).
5. The Protestant Church of the twentieth century must complete the Reformation (pages 33-34).

The pages referred to should not be read, only the vital part of them told very briefly, after which all should review together the points made, which are the gist of the book's message.

Brief papers or talks:—(a) The Character and Work of Constantine; (b) The Development of the Papacy; (c) Erasmus and the Oxford Reformers.

SINGING.—“We March, We March to Victory.” (*Hymnal*, page 75.)

BENEDICTION.—

“God be merciful unto us, and bless us;  
And cause His face to shine upon us;  
That Thy way may be known upon earth,  
Thy saving health among all nations.”  
Through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Amen.

RECEIVED.—“The South To-day,” by John M. Moore. Home Mission Study Book. Some facts about the South; the new era on the farm, industrial development; educational efforts and achievements; religious forces in the South; some problems of the South; new social responsibilities; girding for the advance. Cloth, 255 pp. Price, 60 cents. Published by Missionary Education Movement, 156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

“South American Neighbors,” by Homer C. Stuntz. The Continent of tomorrow; glimpses of four centuries; some social factors; the spirit of the pioneers; present-day religious problems and needs; educating the Continent; the evangelical message and method; the Panama Congress and outlook. An up-to-date text book about a country of vast opportunities. Cloth, 214 pp. Price, 60 cents. Missionary Education Movement.

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society One Hundred Second Annual Report. This presents a General Review of the year; Reports from Foreign Mission Fields, including the Bengal-Orissa; Report of Treasurer; and a list of fields, stations, and missionaries supported by the A. B. F. M. S. Paper covers, 266 pp. Send to A. B. F. M. S. Literature Department, Box 41, Boston, Mass.



# Practical Christian Living

We are not called to be pools of privilege, but channels of blessing.—*Helen Barrett Montgomery.*

"Cups of cold water," simple ministeries of refreshment, the love-thought, the love-prayer, the love-word—these are the privileged services of all of us.—*Dr. Jowett.*



## OUR QUIET HOUR

(10 A. M.)

### PRAYER

To be on speaking terms with God is my greatest privilege. To pray—not publicly, as valuable as that may be, or in elegant language, as pleasing as that may be to cultured ears, but simply to hold conversation with God, irrespective of where I am or who may hear me, like the man who, coming into the Temple in Jerusalem, said, "God, be Thou merciful to me a sinner"—*just to pray is the sweetest condition of human life.*

Friends may talk over problems together, out of which may come wisdom, but no conclusion is best reached until the whole matter has been laid before God. To sit alone worrying over things that have been done, or that I fear will be done, does not help me and betrays distrust, *for since God and I are friends all things work together for my good*, and to tell Him all things that have a part of my thought puts me in a continual conversational relationship with Him, which both pleases Him and proves my friendship.

I am bound to this by all the courtesies of hospitality. *He is my guest.* For me not to remember that He is by my side, to lose consciousness of His companionship, would reveal a breach of hospitality. This is the meaning of the exhortation, "Pray without ceasing"—a recognition of His presence, for He is as surely with me now as He is in heaven, so I must talk with Him more freely than friends talk with friends, for He is "a friend that sticketh closer than a brother."

To fall asleep with the last thought ascending to the heavenly throne and for the first waking thought to fly into the bosom of God is conducive to health of soul and body. John Quincy Adams never went to sleep at night until he had said that sweet child prayer, "Now I lay me down to sleep," and Sir Matthew Hale said, "If I omit praying and reading God's word in the morning, nothing goes well all day."

Prayer is my speech to God—the language of my helplessness, the voice of my unholiness, and the incense of my heart. It is the plea of the

prisoner and the flight of the soul. *Before it—the simplest prayer—all the doors of heaven open and God's ear comes close to the heart of His child.* In its use man has accomplished more things than by any other means. Not simply the normal has been developed beneath its breath but by prayer the impossible has been done. Waters have been divided, armies scattered, fires quenched, the dead called back to life, human passions suppressed, and my own sinful heart has been washed and rewashed by His cleansing grace through prayer.

Visions of things to be done often flash out of prayer in my soul and thoughts for another lead me to the throne of grace.

"I cannot tell why there should come to me  
A thought of you, friend, miles or years away  
In swift insistence on the memory,  
Unless, for you, it needs be that I pray.

"You go your way, I mine, we seldom meet  
To talk of plans or longings, day by day;  
Of pain or pleasure, triumph or defeat,  
Or special reasons why 'tis time to pray.

"We are too busy even to spare thought,  
For days together, of the friends away;  
Perhaps God does it for us, and we ought  
To read His signal as a call to pray.

"Perhaps just then that one has fiercer fight,  
A more appalling weakness, or decay  
Of courage, darkness, a losing hold of right,  
And so, in case he needs my prayer, I pray.

"Friend, do the same for me! If I intrude  
In thought upon you, on some crowded day,  
Give me a moment's prayer, as interlude—  
Be very sure I need it, therefore pray.

"And as you bear my name before the Throne,  
Perhaps in prayer for you I'll meet you there!  
Oh, let us not neglect this holy gift—  
What blessings God hath wrought thro' prayer."

God always hears and always answers if it is a prayer of faith, but frequently it is "no" rather than "yes," as would be the answer from a wise parent to the child's request—the heart itself is not ready for the gift, and so God waits while my heart is being trained in the discipline of delay. Sometimes the answer is within me, for I must always help God do what I ask for. While I take to Him petitions for my personal needs, *I must never sin against God in failing to pray for others*—His Church, my brethren, and whosoever intrudes upon my thoughts.—*Peter Ainslee, in "God and Me."*

LE

sion

Mis

Cha

II, '4

"Th

mag

Solo

"Pr

Bui

suit

ages

Ben

for

at C

Use

serv

com

Dea

oppo

repo

to C

1902

plac

prep

war

**LEAFLETS FOR WORLD MISSIONS AND WORLD PEACE**

The following leaflets are prepared by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for use with "World Missions and World Peace" (price 2 cents each except otherwise stated): Chapter I, "The Master's Service First," "The Jubilee Legion"; Chapter II, "Mohammed," "A Chinese Pollyanna"; Chapter III, a demonstration, "Thanksgiving Ann" (10 cents), leaflets, "A Greater Than Charlemagne," "Raymund Lull"; Chapter IV, "The Four W's"; Chapter V, "A Soldier of Peace" (a story of Dr. Martha A. Sheldon); Chapter VI, "Promises of Peace," "A Medical College for Chinese Women," "The Building of Empire."

The Bureau offers packages of selected leaflets consisting of stories suitable for programs for missionary meetings, for 15 cents; also packages of pictures and leaflets pertaining to the work of Free Baptists in Bengal-Orissa, including a pamphlet by Dr. T. H. Stacy (price 10 cents) for 20 cents. "One Day in India," the exercise presented so successfully at Ocean Park on the evening of Aug. 1, can be obtained for 15 cents each.

**THOSE MITE BOXES.**—Do not forget to send for them immediately! Use them through the year and have them ready for the Thank Offering service next May.

For the study book, "World Missions and World Peace" and its accompanying material, consult July HELPER and send orders to

MRS. A. D. CHAPMAN,  
12 Prescott Street, Lewiston, Maine.

---

**LETTER FROM JAPAN**

KYOTO, JAPAN, June 15, 1916.

*Dear Friends:—*

On the eve of leaving for our second furlough this seems to be an opportune time to send to our home friends a letter of greeting and of report.

It is just fourteen years since Mr. Mott summoned me from Madison to Chicago and laid before me the call to go to Japan. The years since 1902 have wrought great changes in this old world of ours and in few places more than in Japan. We reached Kyoto just in time to make some preparations for the Association Army work in connection with the great war with Russia, and we literally "grew up with the country"—the New

Japan—much as our American pioneers did. Even in material progress we have seen marvelous changes, especially in our own adopted city, Kyoto. This old conservative capital has blossomed out with modern improvements.

But the progress has not been alone in the material realm. We have seen no less striking development in the Christian movement. I shall speak of the Association in particular. When Mrs. Phelps and I arrived here fourteen years ago, we found five loosely organized student associations with about 200 members and one old student clubhouse. To-day there are one city association and six student associations housed in good buildings, including the modern City Association Building, the University Clubhouse, five student hostels, two residences for Japanese "elder brothers" in connection with the hostels, and the residence of the American secretary. These associations have over 1,000 members. The property value has increased from Yen 6,000.00 to Yen 240,000.00. When we arrived we two constituted the entire employed staff. Last Christmas we assembled our Association family to the number of twenty-eight. Counting teachers in our educational classes, we have 32 upon our pay roll. In equipment, leadership, scope of work, and fruitfulness, the Association has made great strides. These results have been attained more through the splendid loyalty and efficiency of our Japanese workers than through our own efforts. For all these blessings we are profoundly thankful to God.

During the past five years I have divided my time between the local work and the national. In respect to the latter I have had special responsibilities in connection with new building operations. I have looked after the interests of the International Committee in connection with eighteen different buildings, costing over Yen 500,000.00.

The Phelps Family numbers seven. There are three children: Ward, ten years old; Miriam, eight; and Theodosia, aged two and one-half. Then we have a real grandma, my mother, Mrs. C. A. Bachelder, who has lived with us the past twelve years, and a grandpa in Mrs. Phelps' father, Dr. J. T. Ward, who has made his headquarters with us for two years. Ward and Miriam are in our "mothers' school" and are doing very well. Mrs. Phelps is one of the mothers who teaches these young Americans the glories of freedom!

We expect to leave on furlough on June 22nd, sailing on the

"E  
Mi  
Yo  
pri  
larg  
of  
124

Mrs  
Mrs

Nor  
o  
t

give  
work

"Empress of Asia" for Vancouver. After a few weeks on the farm in Minnesota, we shall journey eastward and settle for the year near New York in some place where the children can enjoy good school and church privileges. I hope to do some special study during the year and to visit a large number of associations. We are looking forward to seeing many of you. We may be addressed in care of the International Committee, 124 East Twenty-Eighth Street, New York.

With most hearty greetings, in which all join, I am

Faithfully yours,

G. S. PHELPS.

---

### IN MEMORIAM

"Ah, think! to step ashore, and that shore Heaven!  
 To clasp a hand outstretched, and that hand God's,  
 To breathe new air, and that celestial air;  
 To feel refreshed, and know 'tis immortality;  
 Ah, think, to pass from storm and stress to one unbroken calm!  
 To wake, and find it Glory!"

Mrs. Frances E. Ainsworth, Manchester, N. H., January 14, 1916.

Mrs. Katie E. Batson, Castle Rock, Minnesota, July 9, 1916.

"Say not her work is done,  
 No deed of love or goodness ever dies,  
 But in the lives of others multiples,  
 Say it is just begun."

**NOTE**—When a member of an Auxiliary passes on, it is fitting that the name, place of residence and date of death should appear under "In Memoriam." Resolutions and obituaries are not printed in THE HELPER.

---

Do not dread the thought of service anywhere if He calls, for He gives His servants a joy unspeakable. Such is the testimony of every worker who has gone forth at the call of God.—*Selected*.



# Juniors



## HOW THE BABY WAS ROCKED TO SLEEP

I am sure the many boys and girls throughout this glorious land are interested in the millions of their little Hindu and Mohammedan brothers and sisters in that far-off land of India, where only a very few of them know of our dear Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

I was born on a tea garden, and in a very wild part of India, where we had no railroads, no automobiles, no churches, except a long distance from us, no trolley cars, no steamboats, nothing but elephants to ride on if we wished to go anywhere. How do you think you would like to live in such a place? Well, I knew no better, so was contented with what I had, and thought no more about getting on the back of an elephant than you do of entering a trolley car. If we were to take a long journey, we used what is known as a long distance "howdah," a sort of a little summer house that the elephant carries on his back, and in which several people may sit and read while riding. Did you ever ride on an elephant?

We had four elephants on the tea garden to do all the heavy work and to haul the chests of tea to the railroad station over a hundred miles away. The biggest of the four elephants we called "Rajah" because he was the largest, oldest, and most stately of the four. As nearly as I was able to learn, Rajah was close to, if not over, a hundred years of age. One of the old Brahman priests in a temple not far from my home told me that when he was a boy he knew Rajah, who was then in the employ of one of the native princes long since dead. That was nearly eighty years ago; but he is even to-day very strong and powerful and can do more than any of the other three elephants. He is the only one of the four that has tusks, but he is very careful not to hurt any one with them, and uses them only to help him in his work.

And that just reminds me: You know in that part of India white people are very scarce. Just imagine, our nearest white neighbor was the next tea planter to the west of us, fifty-seven miles distant. That meant a journey of a day and half if either of us wished to visit the other. So we did not make very many calls.

But when Mr. and Mrs. Martin did come over to spend a day or two with us, they, of course, brought their little baby, Charlotte, with them,

and big Rajah was always glad to see them and little Charlotte. Then in the evening after the sun had set, Rajah and the other elephants would come up to our bungalow to get a large slice each of native bread spread with mustard seed oil and sprinkled with salt. You didn't know that they like that just as much as they do peanuts, did you? Well, they do. So after they had eaten, one of the servants would fetch a winnowing basket, a broad, round, shallow affair, and in it we would lay little baby Charlotte.

Then we would say, "Ootow," to Rajah, and slowly he would raise his huge trunk high in the air, holding his tusks straight out before him. We would lay the basket with Charlotte in it on his tusks, and he would then bring his trunk down carefully over the outer edge so it would not slide off, and then gently nod his huge head up and down, rocking the baby until she was fast asleep and his big heart just brimming with joy, so proud he was that we would let him take care of the baby.

Now I must hurry and tell you just a word about my playmates who, because I had no brothers or sisters, were the Brahmin or Hindu boys and girls of the higher castes among whom I was born and reared. We used to spend much time in reading to each other from our books, they using their poor school books in Hindustani in which much was told me of the many idols they worship, their peculiar legends and strange holidays, etc., and I in turn would read to them from my books such things as I thought would be good and helpful to them, translating it into their language so they could understand it. And I hope now, as they are grown men and women, it may have done them good.

Do not forget, as you talk with God, to ask Him to bless the people in that land and to inspire Christian people to go to them with the beautiful story of Jesus' love for them as well as for us.—*Eugene Willard in the Christian Missionary.*

---

An alert little five-year-old was taking a walk in the city park with her mother for the first time, and when they arrived at the boat-landing where the swan boats were waiting for passengers, little Elsie pulled away and declared very vigorously that she did not want to go, and, as her mother urged her, she broke into tears.

This sudden fear was so unusual that her mother could not understand it until she heard the boatman's call:

"Come along, come along—ride clear around the pond—only five cents for ladies and gents—children thrown in!"—*Ex.*

# Contributions

## F. B. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts for July, 1916

F. B. W. M. S. contributors should carefully designate how their money should be used, whether for Home Missions, Foreign Missions, or the Contingent Fund, remembering that the latter will be used by the Society where it is most needed.

MAINE		NEW YORK	
Gray S S for Sinclair Orphanage . . . . .	\$ 2 33	Franklin, Mrs A M Powers for F M . . .	2 00
Lewiston, Main St F B Aux, Prim Dpt, 2 Shares Miss Barnes' sal'y 8.00; Con Fund 7 00 . . . . .	15 00	Kenka Park, Mrs D C Barrus for Zenana teacher, Bal . . . . .	5 00
Do, do, S S Secondary Dpt 15.00; Pri Dpt 10.00 for sal'y Miss A Porter . . . . .	25 00	Saranac Lake, Cradle Roll Life Memb'rs Ruth and Mona Oxrieder . . . . .	10 00
No Berwick Aux, dues 16.10; sup Murka S O 25.00 . . . . .	41 10	PENNSYLVANIA	
So Portland, Mem'l C R. Alsena May Bremon . . . . .	25	Tioga Co Q M for Nat Worker . . . . .	26 00
Steep Falls Aux, C F . . . . .	12 00	MICHIGAN	
W Falmouth C R . . . . .	2 40	Battle Creek, Mrs H P Stone. Dr B 31.75; Storer 3.25 . . . . .	35 00
W Paris F B Mission Circle for Betsy Midnapore . . . . .	5 00	Belmont Aux, Dr B . . . . .	3 00
Sus Fund "Helper" . . . . .	3 00	Bruce, C R . . . . .	10 00
NEW HAMPSHIRE		Crystal Aux, Dr B 2.00; Storer 1.45; T O 7 79 . . . . .	11 24
Concord, Income M B Smith Est . . . . .	81 11	Gobleville Aux Dr B 3 60; Storer 2.40 . . . . .	6 00
Danville W M S T O (L M's Mrs Caroline Collins and Miss Ada Collins . . . . .	36 00	Kingston Aux, Dr B 4.00; Storer 2.00; Children, Miss Barnes 4.00 . . . . .	10 00
Dover, H H & F M Soc for Sarala . . . . .	6 25	North Branch, Dr B 10.80; Storer 7.20 . . . . .	18 00
Do, C R . . . . .	4 00	No Chester Aux, Dr B 3 00; Storer 2.00 . . . . .	5 00
Do, T O . . . . .	28 37	MINNESOTA	
Hampton Aux, toward Miss Butts' sal'y Pittsfield C R for S O . . . . .	10 00	Huntley W M S on apportionment . . . . .	50 00
Rochester, Katherine & Alice Hartley for Miss Barnes . . . . .	8 00	Sebek, Mrs A J Marshall. Mrs Holder's salary . . . . .	10 00
So Berwick Aux . . . . .	4 00	Winnebago, Mrs L M Durgin, Sus Fund "Helper" . . . . .	3 00
	6 25	IOWA	
VERMONT		Spencer, "Friends in Iowa" . . . . .	10 00
Sutton Ch for sal'y Miss A Porter . . . . .	12 00	KANSAS	
MASSACHUSETTS		Conway Springs, Mrs Catherine Bishop "where most needed" . . . . .	25 00
Haverhill, Winter St Aux, T O sal'y Nat Teacher 6.00; Gen'l Work 29.00 (L M Mrs Robert Stott) . . . . .	35 00	Jamestown, Summit F B Ch W M S, C R for Miss Barnes . . . . .	6 65
Do C R Ruth Colcord, Kenneth Hartley Colcord, John Russell Colcord . . . . .	45	TEXAS	
Melrose Highlands, Green St Bapt Ch Girls' Mission Circle for share Miss Barnes' sal'y . . . . .	4 00	Woman's Missionary Societies of Texas for Mrs Holder's salary . . . . .	30 00
Peabody, Sus Fund "Helper" . . . . .	3 00	MISCELLANEOUS	
RHODE ISLAND		Annual Meeting Coll . . . . .	16 28
(Greenville Aux by its Thank Offering makes Mrs J F Steere L M) . . . . .		Postage . . . . .	15
Providence, Roger Wms F B Ch. Prim'ry Dpt toward support of child in S O . . . . .	5 00	Total Receipts for July, 1916 . . . . .	\$641 83

EDYTH R. PORTER, Treasurer  
47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.  
Per May Malvern, Assistant Treasurer

## FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath the sum of — to the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, incorporated under the laws of the State of Maine.

uld  
nd,  
d.

2 00

5 00

0 00

6 00

5 00

3 00

0 00

1 24

6 00

0 00

8 00

5 00

0 00

0 00

3 00

0 00

25 00

6 65

30 00

16 28

15

41 83

ver

ver

uary